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Whereas, it is with tremendous respect and admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to note a milestone event in the history of the Platte County Board of Services for the Developmentally Disabled, an excellent Show-Me State organization which is devoted to helping those in society who strive to overcome disability; and

Whereas, a component of Platte County government, the Platte County Board of Services for the Developmentally Disabled has recently had its residential, day, service coordination, and supported employment programs accredited for a period of three years by the international Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF); and

Whereas, CARF is an independent, not-for-profit accrediting body whose mission is to promote the quality, value, and optimal outcomes of services through a consultative accreditation process that centers on enhancing the lives of the persons served; and

Whereas, in order to receive CARF accreditation, Platte County Board of Services for the Developmentally Disabled underwent a rigorous peer review process and demonstrated to a team of surveyors during an on-site visit that its programs are of the highest quality, measurable, and accountable; and

Whereas, this latest accreditation of the Platte County Board of Services for the Developmentally Disabled is the fourth consecutive three-year accreditation the organization has received from CARF; and

Whereas, under the visionary leadership of Executive Director Janice Tilman, the Platte County Board of Services for the Developmentally Disabled has received the highest level of accreditation that can be awarded by CARF and indicates substantial conformance to the standards established by the international accrediting agency:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the third reaccreditation of Platte County Board of Services for the Developmentally Disabled by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and our best wishes for continued success now and in the future; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the administrators, employees, and clients of the Platte County Board of Services for the Developmentally Disabled.

Offered by

Representative Susan C. Phillips

District No. 32

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 816, adopted March 12, 2003.